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Truby King stamps and first issue envelopes, 1957. From Special and Private Collections


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Plunket Society magnet, [2014]


Learning to Bloom poster. Plunket Society, c.2014

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Thomas King, c.1860s. Photograph from Mary King, cabinet one: background

CABINET TWO: SEALCIF
Photograph of Sealcif, Dunedin. Hocken Pictorial Collection S09-038

CABINET THREE: FARMING

CABINET FOUR: PSYCHOLOGY
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CABINET FIVE: WOMEN & MOTHERHOOD
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A select number of books from King’s library have been used in this exhibition to highlight his life and activities: his early years, his education, his work at Seacliff Lunatic Asylum, and his pioneering work in child and infant care. The establishment of the Plunket Society in 1907 was one of his most tangible and influential parts of his legacy. King died in February 1938. He was given a state funeral, the first private citizen in New Zealand to be given this honour. In 1967 he featured on a postage stamp celebrating the Plunket Society, again the first to be afforded this honour. All in all, Sir Frederic Truby King was a remarkable man.

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‘Truby King was the greatest man in New Zealand, and should have the most imposing monument New Zealand can build to commemorate him.’

George Bernard Shaw, April 1934.